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FORUM ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL
DIMENSION OF SOCIAL
ENTREPRENEURSHIP



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DEAR PARTICIPANT



Welcome to the **“Towards Collaborative Practice 2018 - Forum on the environmental dimension of social entrepreneurship”!**

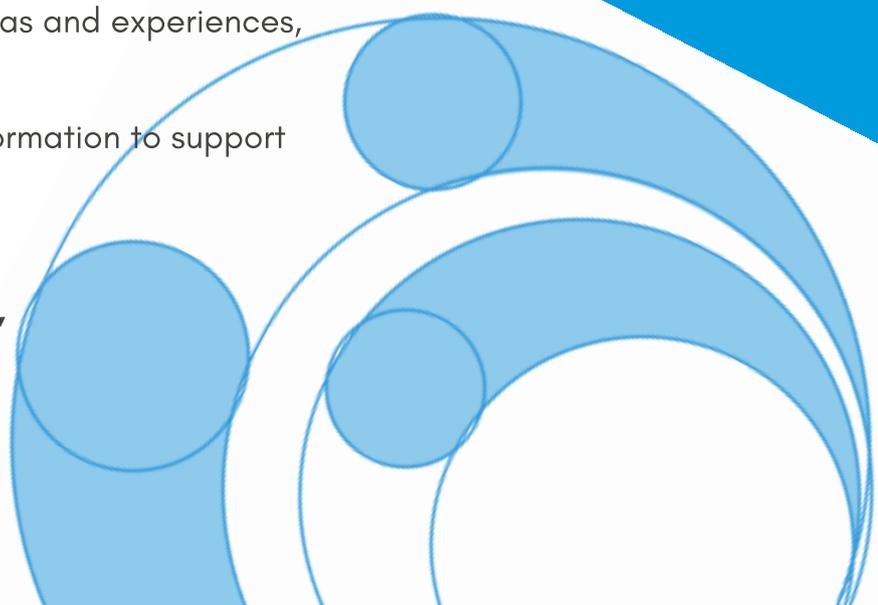
We are very glad to hear you have been selected and we are looking forward to meeting you in Budapest from 27 November till 01 December. The TCP Forum Hungary will be a special event in 2018. The seminar brings together people involved with social entrepreneurship to exchange good practices in Europe and beyond. The aim of the TCP project is to build an international network of like-minded people, projects, ideas and experiences of social entrepreneurship, with a particular focus on Erasmus+ opportunities. The TCP Forum is an opportunity to discuss future pathways for social entrepreneurship, explore new opportunities and build a cross-sectoral platform for cooperation on innovative projects and initiatives.

It is going to be a busy week, and one that promises to be full of interesting information, sharing of ideas and experiences, and mutual inspiration.

Please find enclosed some practical information to support your arrival and enjoyment of the Forum.

We look forward to meeting you soon,

**TCP HUNGARY
TEAM**



ABOUT TCP FORUM HUNGARY



THE CONCEPT

The “Towards Collaborative Practice” (TCP) Community has been growing and inspiring the field of social entrepreneurship and innovation since the first conference burst out of Malmö, Sweden in 2015. The second edition of the TCP Forum, focusing on social innovation and entrepreneurship, took place in the beautiful city of Lecce, Italy in 2016. The third chapter followed in Liverpool, United Kingdom, at the beginning of 2018, which sought to grow and collaborate further by sharing ideas across the Youth and Vocational Education sectors.

Now it's your turn to join the community in the fourth TCP Forum to take place in Budapest, Hungary. This edition's focus will be environmental consciousness in social entrepreneurship. The whole event is influenced by its theme, environmental awareness - including site selection, menu compilation, coffee breaks and the materials we use. We believe it is important to show that there is always an opportunity to select an environmentally friendly option.

More information about the project and previous editions can be found at <http://www.tcpcommunity.eu/>.

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The upcoming Forum will be a meeting and exchange, encouraging cross-sectoral collaboration and partnership building between Erasmus+ formal and non-formal education sectors as well as (social) business on everything related to social entrepreneurship and entrepreneurial learning, with a particular focus on environment and ecology.

Based on non-formal learning approaches, which encourage your active participation with room for sharing good practice and expressing yourself, the forum will be an exciting mix of expert inputs, interactive workshops, group coaching sessions, field visits and many more. A novelty of this chapter of the TCP Forum is the introduction of the group coaching method. This session offers you unlimited opportunities to discover the social entrepreneur in you. Professional group of coaches will support your real individual development with the help of others on given topics.

AIMS AND APPROACH

Remember that attending the whole event is obligatory, and active participation in all of the proposed activities during the programme is expected.

1. To encourage cross-sectoral collaboration and partnership building among the actors of the social entrepreneurship ecosystem;
2. To raise awareness of and promote the environmental dimension of social entrepreneurship;
3. To offer an opportunity for networking and sharing ideas, tools, methods, challenges and good practices;
4. To use social enterprise as a way to encourage and enable young people to sustain their entrepreneurial life skills;
5. To encourage creativity, innovation, participation, diversity and social inclusion of young people;
6. To provide information on Erasmus+ and other opportunities to foster social entrepreneurship.

Non-formal learning - An important feature of the Erasmus+ Youth in Action Programme

The programme provides important opportunities for participants to learn new things, get ideas and experience. Therefore it is a key instrument for non-formal and informal learning in a European dimension.

Non-formal learning refers to the learning which takes place outside the formal educational curriculum. Non-formal learning activities involve people on a voluntary basis and are carefully planned, to foster the participants' personal, social and professional development

YOUTHPASS

Every person who takes part in an Erasmus+ Youth in Action project is entitled to receive a Youthpass Certificate, which describes and validates the non-formal and informal learning experience and outcomes acquired during the project. Issuing a Youthpass Certificate supports learning processes within the Erasmus+ Youth in Action projects and enhances the quality of the projects.



More information is available at: www.youthpass.eu





The venue and the accommodation will be in Budapest in the **European Youth Centre of Budapest.**



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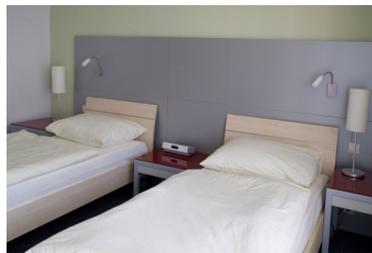
Phone: +36 1 212 40 78 or +36 1 438 10 30

E-mail: eycb.secretariat@coe.int



More detailed information about the European Youth Centre and its facilities (e.g. sauna, gym, smoking, etc.) is available **online.**

Please note that accommodation will be in gender-based double rooms, hostel style: towels are foreseen. The Hungarian NA will provide full board and lodging for the duration of the event (additional days are at your own expense and need to be organized by yourself).



THE VENUE



TRAVEL INFORMATION



Once selected - Participants should contact their National Agency (NA) for travel arrangements. Participants are required to take the cheapest means of transport (APEX, economy or tourist class). You can find more details about travel options on the webpage of the **European Youth Centre**.

We will start the programme in the evening of 27th November 2018 with the welcome dinner at 19:00 in the European Youth Centre Budapest. Departure is on 1st December 2018, look for flights or trains that are in the morning or in the afternoon.



If you arrive in Budapest by plane

Airport Minibus/Shuttle Bus:

The minibus service is provided by Minibud Airport Shuttle Services. Please refer to their website for further information: <https://www.minibud.hu/en>

Public transport:

There is also a possibility to take public transport. Please note that the centre is rather far from the airport and it takes approx. an hour and a half.

For public transport you need to buy tickets, one costs 350 HUF and valid for a single uninterrupted trip without transfer.

From the airport:

Bus no. 200E - to Kőbánya-Kispest (final stop), 20 mins

change to Metro 3 (blue line) - until Nyugati Pályaudvar (direction: Újpest); 12 stops, 20 mins

change to bus no. 91 or 291- until Zivatar utca; 4 stops, 5-10 mins

Cross the road, walk downhill until you find Zivatar Street on your right. The Centre is further up the street to your left.

More information about public transport: <http://www.bkk.hu/en/>

Taxi:

Alternatively, you can take a taxi from the airport. Please note that Főtaxi is the only taxi company that is allowed to wait at the departure/arrival exits of the airport. Főtaxi has fixed prices for transfer fares from the airport to different zones of Budapest.

More information about the taxi: <http://www.fotaxi.hu>



Please contact your National Agency to find out if taxi costs are covered.





If you arrive in Budapest by train

Arrival at Nyugati pályaudvar (Western railway station)

Take the bus no. 91 or 291- until Zivatar utca; 4 stops, 5-10 mins

Cross the road, walk downhill until you find Zivatar Street on your right. The Centre is further up the street to your left.

Arrival at Keleti pályaudvar (Eastern railway station):

Take the Metro 2 (red line) - until Deák tér; 3 stops, 5 mins

change to Metro 3 (blue line) - until Nyugati pu (direction: Újpest); 2 stops, 5 mins

change to bus no. 91 or 291- until Zivatar utca; 4 stops, 5-10 mins

Cross the road, walk downhill until you find Zivatar Street on your right. The Centre is further up the street to your left.

Arrival at Déli pályaudvar (Southern railway station):

Take the tram 61 - until Széll Kálmán tér (direction: Hűvösvölgy); 1 stop, 5 mins

Change to tram 4 or 6 - until Mechwart liget; 2 stops, 5 mins

From there you just need to cross the park and on the 2nd crossroad, you will find EYCB.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

TIME ZONE: Budapest is in the Central European time zone (CET).

THE WEATHER: During November, expect cold weather conditions and a frosty biting wind and rain. Snowfall is frequent but not that heavy. The days are shortest and the nights are longest at this time. The average daily temperature in November is no more than 5°C. **Check it out!**

CURRENCY: The Hungarian currency is **Hungarian Forints**.

Exchanging foreign currency into Forints is possible in banks, official currency exchange offices and travel agencies. If you would like to exchange money, you can do it at railway stations or in bigger hubs. The official rates are about 320-330 Hungarian Forints (HUF) for 1 EUR.

ELECTRICITY: Hungary has the 220 Volt 2 pin electricity plus (like in mainland Europe) - bring adaptors if needed (and your chargers for mobile phones, cameras etc).

INSURANCE: You are required to have your own health insurance (E111, EuroCross, etc). You might want to think about taking out travel insurance, for specific risks linked to travelling (damage to luggage, cancellations, etc). Contact your health insurance or travel agency for more details.

Please contact your National Agency to find out if they cover your insurance costs.



ARRIVAL DAY CHALLENGE



If you arrive early on the 27th November to Budapest and you are looking for something special to discover the city, do not need to search any longer. We are providing you with an exciting challenge and an early-bird opportunity to already start discovering the Hungarian social enterprises.

At 5:00 pm on 27th November 2018 we are inviting you to join the programme of **Vitamin Commando** offered by **Budapest Bike Mafia**, a well known social enterprise in Hungary.

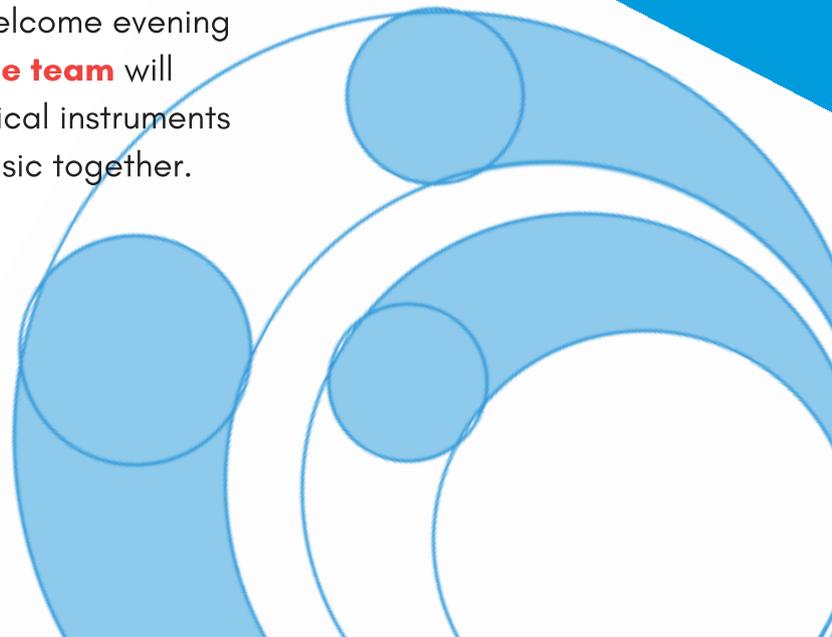
Vitamin Commando is a community creator actions: participants can get involved to make sandwiches packed with meat and vegetables and bring them to the homeless people living on the street of Budapest. Vitamin Commando is not a usual food distribution since the members of the team search for the homeless people themselves. The method is simple: we get on the bike and pedal around the town until the donations prepared/packed for that day run out.

Prepare a nice dinner and make the homeless people in Budapest happy by joining us for this challenge. If you are ready to be a member of the Vitamin Commando, **send an email in advance to Andrea Kiss at andrea.kiss@tpf.hu latest by the 20th November.**

**BEFORE YOU
ARRIVE**

WELCOME EVENING EXPERIENCE

Do not miss out the Welcome evening as we are waiting for you with an unforgettable experience! During the welcome evening just after dinner from 8 pm the **Drum experience team** will prepare an activity for us, where we create musical instruments using recycled material and learn to perform music together.



USEFUL TO BRING WITH YOU

During the TCP Forum in Hungary - with the help of a social enterprise, **ReCreativity** - we will have opportunities to renew old clothes in different recycled ways. So thus if you would like to take part in this action and give new life to your boring items, bring some T-shirts or skirts with you to Budapest.



INFORMATION WE STILL NEED

Please, send your travel information to the organisers until 4th of November 2018.

Link: <https://goo.gl/forms/TFsBnmzpVqBlSRHb2>



If you have further questions, suggestions, problems or proposals; please do not hesitate to contact us at any time. We will respond as quickly as we can.

WHOM YOU CAN CONTACT



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We can't wait to meet you in person!

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

